



Newsletter

13th December 2013



Concerts

A huge well done to all of our children who have performed their Christmas concerts this week. A lot of time and effort goes into preparing for the performances for parents and I am sure you will agree that our children and staff did us proud.



Christmas dinner

Our Christmas dinner on Tuesday was delicious, a big thank you to Paula and the Taylor Shaw team for all of their hard work. I struggle to make a Christmas dinner for 5 so the fact that the kitchen staff catered for over 200, and served on time is a huge achievement in my opinion.

Street dance and musical theatre performances

Well done to the children who performed after school in musical theatre and street dance, we certainly have lots of talented children.



Parties

Next week is party week, see opposite for days and times. We would prefer children to bring clothes to change into in school, however if you would rather change your child at home please pick EYFS and KS1 children up at 11:45am and KS2 children at 12 noon.

Packed lunches

We have noticed more and more drinks coming into school with packed lunches, our school policy is that **no drinks** are to be brought in with packed lunches, water is provided for all of the children. This policy was implemented due to spillages, ruined packed lunches and fizzy drinks being brought in. You are of course very welcome to take your children home for lunch if you are unhappy with this policy.

Panto

As a Christmas treat for the children we have a panto company in school next Tuesday morning performing Jack and the Beanstalk.

Primary school league tables 2013

The primary school league tables were published yesterday, we are delighted to announce that Shotton Hall Primary was in the top 30% of schools within County Durham and the top performing school in the Peterlee/Shotton/Wingate area. The complete league can be viewed at [www.telegraph.co.uk/education/league tables](http://www.telegraph.co.uk/education/league%20tables)

Family learning week

Our family learning week is taking place on the week beginning 6th January. Please see attached sheet for a list of events taking place. If you and your child/children would like to come along to any of the sessions please complete the form and return it to school by Thursday of next week.

After school clubs

After school club – SAFC, street dance, musical theatre and dodge ball will not be taking place next week.

New club information for after Christmas will be sent home next week.



Dates for our diary

December

- Monday 16th Nursery and Reception party 1-3:30pm
- Tuesday 17th panto for the school
- Tuesday 17th Key Stage 1 party 1-4:00pm
- Wednesday 18th Years 3 and 4 party 1-4:00pm
- Thursday 19th Years 5 and 6 party 1-4:00pm
- Friday 20th break up

January

- Monday 6th Back to school
- Week beginning 6th January Family Learning Week

February

- Monday 3rd SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET
- Thursday 13th Disco
- Friday 14th Break up